

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated December 16, 2009, having a shortened statutory period expiring on March 16, 2010. Accompanying this response is a one-month Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time, setting a new time for response of April 16, 2010. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.

Remarks begin on page **14** of this paper.